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#### **POPULATION, QUEENSLAND**

						Increa: during pe		Mean
	Estimated resident	Natural increase		Net migration			Propor-	population for
Period	population	(a)	Interstate	Overseas	Total	Number	tion (b)	period
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	'000
1991-92	3 030.0	25.8	34.1	8.3	42.3	(c) 69.0	2.3	2 995.9
1992-93	3 109.8	26.1	49.2	3.7	52.9	(c) 79.8	2.6	3 070.5
1993-94	3 187.1	26.2	44.9	5.2	50.2	(c) 77.3	2.5	3 149.9
1994-95	3 265.1	26.0	40.2	10.6	50.8	(c) 78.0	2.4	3 225.1
1995–96	3 338.7	25.3	32.6	13.1	45.7	(c) 73.6	2.3	3 303.5
1996–97	3 401.2	25.1	23.4	14.0	37.4	62.5	1.9	3 371.8
1992	3 067.3	25.9	40.4	6.3	46.7	(c) 73.5	2.5	3 031.8
1993	3 148.1	26.8	48.8	4.2	53.0	(c) 80.8	2.6	3 111.1
1994	3 223.0	25.4	41.8	6.7	48.5	(c) 74.9	2.4	3 187.7
1995	3 303.4	26.3	39.5	13.7	52.2	(c) 80.4	2.5	3 264.4
1996	3 371.4	24.5	29.4	12.9	42.2	(c) 68.1	2.1	3 338.9
1997	3 430.4	25.0	20.2	13.7	33.9	58.9	1.7	3 405.2
1996—								
December qtr	3 371.4	5.6	7.4	2.7	10.1	15.7	0.5	
1997—								
March qtr	3 388.9	7.0	5.7	4.8	10.5	17.5	0.5	
June qtr	3 401.2	6.6	3.4	2.3	5.7	12.3	0.4	
September qtr	3 417.4	6.2	4.7	5.4	10.0	16.2	0.5	
December qtr	3 430.4	5.3	6.4	1.3	7.7	12.9	0.4	
1998—								
March qtr	3 456.5	6.0	7.0	7.1	14.1	20.1	0.6	

<sup>(</sup>a) Excess of births over deaths. (b) The rates represent the increase during the period, expressed as a proportion of the population at the beginning of the period. (c) Discrepancies between the sum of natural increase and net migration figures and the total increase figures are due to inter-censal adjustment.

#### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION (a) AT 30 JUNE

		(-)			
1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000
1 388.4	1 422.8	1 455.2	1 486.7	1 520.0	1 548.3
513.5	538.9	566.0	596.0	618.2	639.0
200.5	207.1	214.0	219.5	224.3	227.8
196.0	197.8	198.8	199.0	199.9	200.3
28.8	28.3	27.6	26.9	26.5	26.2
170.0	172.5	174.5	176.2	178.0	179.6
13.2	13.0	12.9	12.6	12.5	12.4
112.0	113.4	115.1	117.3	120.3	122.6
184.0	186.5	188.3	190.3	192.2	193.5
185.8	192.0	197.8	204.5	210.8	215.5
37.9	37.4	36.8	36.1	35.9	35.9
3 030.0	3 109.8	3 187.1	3 265.1	3 338.7	3 401.2
	'000 1 388.4 513.5 200.5 196.0 28.8 170.0 13.2 112.0 184.0 185.8 37.9	'000     '000       1 388.4     1 422.8       513.5     538.9       200.5     207.1       196.0     197.8       28.8     28.3       170.0     172.5       13.2     13.0       112.0     113.4       184.0     186.5       185.8     192.0       37.9     37.4	1992     1993     1994       '000     '000     '000       1 388.4     1 422.8     1 455.2       513.5     538.9     566.0       200.5     207.1     214.0       196.0     197.8     198.8       28.8     28.3     27.6       170.0     172.5     174.5       13.2     13.0     12.9       112.0     113.4     115.1       184.0     186.5     188.3       185.8     192.0     197.8       37.9     37.4     36.8	1992         1993         1994         1995           '000         '000         '000         '000           1 388.4         1 422.8         1 455.2         1 486.7           513.5         538.9         566.0         596.0           200.5         207.1         214.0         219.5           196.0         197.8         198.8         199.0           28.8         28.3         27.6         26.9           170.0         172.5         174.5         176.2           13.2         13.0         12.9         12.6           112.0         113.4         115.1         117.3           184.0         186.5         188.3         190.3           185.8         192.0         197.8         204.5           37.9         37.4         36.8         36.1	1992         1993         1994         1995         1996           '000         '000         '000         '000         '000           1 388.4         1 422.8         1 455.2         1 486.7         1 520.0           513.5         538.9         566.0         596.0         618.2           200.5         207.1         214.0         219.5         224.3           196.0         197.8         198.8         199.0         199.9           28.8         28.3         27.6         26.9         26.5           170.0         172.5         174.5         176.2         178.0           13.2         13.0         12.9         12.6         12.5           112.0         113.4         115.1         117.3         120.3           184.0         186.5         188.3         190.3         192.2           185.8         192.0         197.8         204.5         210.8           37.9         37.4         36.8         36.1         35.9

#### **VITAL STATISTICS, QUEENSLAND**

Period   Births   Deaths   Marriages   Ca   Cc   Cc   Cc   Cc   Cc   Cc   Cc
1993–94
1994–95
1995–96
1996–97
1997—98 47 047 22 499 21 258 303 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 6.4  1997—  March qtr 12 099 5 164 4 385 80 14.3 6.1 5.2 6.6  June qtr 11 872 5 303 5 371 57 14.0 6.2 6.3 4.8  September qtr 12 571 6 335 5 249 71 14.7 7.4 6.1 5.6  December qtr 10 423 5 143 5 863 64 12.2 6.0 6.8 6.1  1998—  March qtr 11 769 5 692 4 814 93 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 7.9
1997—  March qtr 12 099 5 164 4 385 80 14.3 6.1 5.2 6.6  June qtr 11 872 5 303 5 371 57 14.0 6.2 6.3 4.8  September qtr 12 571 6 335 5 249 71 14.7 7.4 6.1 5.6  December qtr 10 423 5 143 5 863 64 12.2 6.0 6.8 6.1  1998—  March qtr 11 769 5 692 4 814 93 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 7.9
March qtr         12 099         5 164         4 385         80         14.3         6.1         5.2         6.6           June qtr         11 872         5 303         5 371         57         14.0         6.2         6.3         4.8           September qtr         12 571         6 335         5 249         71         14.7         7.4         6.1         5.6           December qtr         10 423         5 143         5 863         64         12.2         6.0         6.8         6.1           1998—           March qtr         11 769         5 692         4 814         93         n.y.a.         n.y.a.         n.y.a.         7.9
June qtr     11 872     5 303     5 371     57     14.0     6.2     6.3     4.8       September qtr     12 571     6 335     5 249     71     14.7     7.4     6.1     5.6       December qtr     10 423     5 143     5 863     64     12.2     6.0     6.8     6.1       1998—       March qtr     11 769     5 692     4 814     93     n.y.a.     n.y.a.     n.y.a.     7.9
September qtr       12 571       6 335       5 249       71       14.7       7.4       6.1       5.6         December qtr       10 423       5 143       5 863       64       12.2       6.0       6.8       6.1         1998—         March qtr       11 769       5 692       4 814       93       n.y.a.       n.y.a.       n.y.a.       7.9
December qtr 10 423 5 143 5 863 64 12.2 6.0 6.8 6.1  1998—  March qtr 11 769 5 692 4 814 93 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 7.9
1998— March qtr 11 769 5 692 4 814 93 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 7.9
March qtr 11 769 5 692 4 814 93 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 7.9
lung gtr 12 394 5 230 5 232 75 n.v.s. n.v.s. n.v.s. 61
June qtr 12 284 5 329 5 332 75 n.y.a. n.y.a. n.y.a. 6.1
1998—
March 3 879 1 721 1 864 26 6.7
April 4 093 1 782 2 130 20 4.9
May 4 108 1 657 1 679 28 6.8
June 4 083 1 890 1 523 27 6.6
July 4 321 2 086 1 378 26 6.1
August 3 622 2 105 1 429 22 6.1

<sup>(</sup>a) Deaths of children aged under 1 year. (b) For quarterly periods, an equivalent annual rate for each quarter. (c) Per 1,000 mean estimated resident population. (d) Infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

#### **OVERSEAS ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, QUEENSLAND**

						1998		
Particulars	1996	1997	March	April	Мау	June	July	August
Arrivals								
Permanent and long-term	39 658	42 467	3 011	3 116	2 708	3 405	4 353	3 070
Total permanent	14 565	14 778	1 286	1 248	1 135	1 416	1 357	1 301
Residents long-term	12 712	13 536	1 020	986	869	1 166	897	774
Visitors long-term	12 381	14 153	705	882	704	823	2 099	995
Residents short-term	408 143	431 541	33 467	33 505	33 092	37 025	39 885	33 674
Visitors short-term	1 279 706	1 328 684	90 624	100 919	90 830	108 745	117 252	109 969
All arrivals	1 727 508	1 902 692	127 102	137 540	126 629	149 175	161 490	146 713
Departures								
Permanent and long-term	26 231	28 880	2 469	2 441	2 331	2 815	2 238	2 329
Residents long-term	12 169	13 139	1 199	1 145	1 149	1 023	1 037	1 338
Visitors long-term	8 153	9 521	733	718	647	1 134	766	471
Former and other	5 909	6 220	537	578	535	658	435	520
Former settlers	2 821	2 892	272	254	258	302	95	_
Other residents	3 088	3 328	265	324	277	356	340	520
Residents short-term	409 200	435 804	35 585	36 816	38 770	42 249	31 438	37 600
Visitors short-term	1 197 700	1 247 231	85 874	97 128	88 127	98 123	105 108	126 493
All departures	1 633 131	1 711 915	123 928	136 395	129 228	143 187	138 785	166 422

#### LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a), QUEENSLAND

				Unemploy	red	Total lab	our force		Civilian population
	Full-time	Employed Part-time	 Total	Und Number	employment rate	Number	Participation rate	Not in labour force	aged 15 years and over
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000
				MALES	6				
1997—									
August	772.4	110.4	882.9	93.7	9.6	976.6	73.5	351.6	1 328.2
September	781.3	113.0	894.3	90.1	9.1	984.3	74.0	346.0	1 330.3
October	787.1	117.9	905.0	88.0	8.9	993.0	74.5	339.8	1 332.8
November December	781.5 795.7	112.2 114.8	893.8 910.6	91.4 92.5	9.3 9.2	985.2 1 003.1	73.8 75.0	350.2 334.9	1 335.4 1 338.0
1000									
1998—	792.6	108.5	901.2	99.2	9.9	1 000.4	74.6	339.7	1 340.1
January February	792.6 792.1	113.1	901.2	101.4	9.9 10.1	1 000.4	74.6 75.0	339.7 335.7	1 340.1
March	789.0	116.5	905.5	92.4	9.3	997.9	74.2	346.6	1 344.4
April	793.1	109.9	903.0	88.6	8.9	991.6	73.6	355.0	1 346.6
May	783.1	120.2	903.2	87.1	8.8	990.3	73.4	358.6	1 348.8
June	791.2	121.7	912.9	86.9	8.7	999.8	74.0	351.3	1 351.1
July	799.6	111.3	911.0	91.6	9.1	1 002.6	74.1	350.4	1 353.0
August	791.0	113.5	904.5	89.6	9.0	994.1	73.4	360.8	1 354.9
September	801.8	123.5	925.3	93.3	9.2	1 018.7	75.1	338.1	1 356.8
October	814.4	119.0	933.4	84.3	8.3	1 017.7	74.9	341.5	1 359.3
				FEMALI	ES				
1997—									
August	379.9	292.2	672.1	67.1	9.1	739.2	54.6	613.7	1 352.9
September	382.9	312.2	695.1	67.4	8.8	762.5	56.3	592.6	1 355.1
October	382.5	312.1	694.6	62.6	8.3	757.3	55.8	600.3	1 357.6
November	386.2	310.9	697.1	64.4	8.5	761.5	56.0	598.6	1 360.1
December	404.5	292.2	696.6	63.8	8.4	760.4	55.8	602.3	1 362.7
1998—									
January	386.6	283.9	670.5	66.0	9.0	736.5	54.0	628.2	1 364.7
February	390.6	307.6	698.2	75.0	9.7	773.2	56.6	593.5	1 366.7
March	382.3	314.0	696.2	65.1	8.6	761.3	55.6	607.4	1 368.7
April	390.7	314.1	704.8	64.9	8.4	769.7	56.1	601.2	1 370.8
May	387.9	318.3	706.2	60.2	7.9	766.4	55.8	606.5	1 373.0
June	388.2	320.5	708.7	65.2	8.4	774.0	56.3	601.2	1 375.1
July	391.9	312.9	704.8	59.5	7.8	764.4	55.5	612.6	1 377.0
August	381.0	318.2	699.2	57.9	7.7	757.1	54.9	621.7	1 378.8
September	391.2	316.2	707.4	63.8	8.3	771.2	55.9	609.5	1 380.7
October	385.0	324.1	709.1	63.3	8.2	772.4	55.8	610.7	1 383.1
				PERSOI	NS				
1997—									
August	1 152.3	402.7	1 555.0	160.8	9.4	1 715.8	64.0	965.4	2 681.1
September	1 164.2	425.2	1 589.4	157.4	9.0	1 746.8	65.0	938.6	2 685.3
October	1 169.6	430.0	1 599.6	150.6	8.6	1 750.3	65.1	940.1	2 690.4
November	1 167.7	423.1	1 590.8	155.9	8.9	1 746.7	64.8	948.8	2 695.5
December	1 200.2	407.0	1 607.2	156.3	8.9	1 763.5	65.3	937.1	2 700.6
1998—									
January	1 179.2	392.4	1 571.6	165.2	9.5	1 736.9	64.2	967.9	2 704.8
February	1 182.7	420.7	1 603.4	176.5	9.9	1 779.8	65.7	929.1	2 709.0
March	1 171.2	430.5	1 601.7	157.5	9.0	1 759.2	64.8	953.9	2 713.1
April	1 183.8	424.0	1 607.8	153.5	8.7	1 761.3	64.8	956.2	2 717.5
May	1 170.9	438.5	1 609.4	147.3	8.4	1 756.7	64.5	965.1	2 721.8
June	1 179.4	442.2	1 621.6	152.2	8.6	1 773.7	65.1	952.5	2 726.2
July	1 191.5	424.3	1 615.8	151.2	8.6	1 767.0	64.7	963.0	2 729.9
August	1 172.1	431.7	1 603.7	147.5	8.4	1 751.2	64.1	982.5	2 733.7
_	1 193.0	439.7	1 632.7	157.1	8.8	1 789.8	65.4	947.6	2 737.5
September									

<sup>(</sup>a) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication Labour Force (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

#### CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a), QUEENSLAND

	Er	mployed persons					
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Unemployed persons	Labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
Month	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	%	%
		SEAS	SONALLY ADJUSTE	D ESTIMATES (a)			
1997—							
September	1 155.3	415.1	1 570.4	163.0	1 733.4	9.4	64.6
October	1 163.9	428.2	1 592.1	161.2	1 753.2	9.2	65.2
November	1 167.1	418.5	1 585.6	162.8	1 748.4	9.3	64.9
December	1 180.9	406.9	1 587.8	159.0	1 746.8	9.1	64.7
1998—							
January	1 180.6	420.7	1 601.3	154.2	1 755.4	8.8	64.9
February	1 184.8	426.3	1 611.1	158.3	1 769.5	8.9	65.3
March	1 182.9	424.0	1 606.9	146.4	1 753.2	8.3	64.6
April	1 196.7	415.8	1 612.5	149.9	1 762.4	8.5	64.9
May	1 177.6	438.5	1 616.1	147.6	1 763.6	8.4	64.8
June	1 178.5	436.5	1 615.0	157.3	1 772.4	8.9	65.0
July	1 186.9	421.0	1 607.9	161.8	1 769.8	9.1	64.8
August	1 178.4	437.8	1 616.2	152.1	1 768.2	8.6	64.7
September	1 183.7	429.5	1 613.2	162.8	1 776.0	9.2	64.9
October	1 193.5	441.5	1 635.0	157.7	1 792.7	8.8	65.4
			TREND ESTIMA	ATES (a)			
1997—							
September	1 161.1	415.3	1 576.4	162.3	1 738.7	9.3	64.7
October	1 165.5	416.5	1 582.0	162.2	1 744.3	9.3	64.8
November	1 170.5	417.5	1 588.0	161.1	1 749.1	9.2	64.9
December	1 175.8	418.3	1 594.1	158.8	1 752.9	9.1	64.9
1998—							
January	1 180.6	419.6	1 600.2	155.7	1 755.9	8.9	64.9
February	1 184.4	421.1	1 605.5	153.1	1 758.6	8.7	64.9
March	1 185.9	423.6	1 609.5	151.3	1 760.9	8.6	64.9
April	1 185.4	426.5	1 611.9	150.9	1 762.8	8.6	64.9
May	1 184.0	428.8	1 612.8	152.0	1 764.8	8.6	64.8
June	1 182.9	430.3	1 613.2	154.0	1 767.2	8.7	64.8
July	1 182.7	431.7	1 614.4	156.1	1 770.5	8.8	64.9
August	1 183.4	433.3	1 616.7	157.8	1 774.5	8.9	64.9
September	1 184.8	434.8	1 619.6	159.2	1 778.8	9.0	65.0
October	1 186.0	436.4	1 622.4	159.9	1 782.3	9.0	65.0

<sup>(</sup>a) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

# WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, QUEENSLAND ('000)

	Drivete -	Private Government sector						
Month		Commonwealth	State	Local	Total	wage and salary earners		
1995—								
May	860.8	45.6	194.7	34.1	274.4	1 135.3		
August	864.1	44.1	198.5	33.7	276.3	1 140.4		
November	909.4	45.1	191.3	33.4	269.8	1 179.3		
1996—								
February	896.1	45.8	188.9	34.9	269.5	1 165.6		
May	897.9	45.3	206.5	34.8	286.6	1 184.5		
August	884.3	39.8	208.1	34.7	282.6	1 166.8		
November	891.7	39.3	208.1	36.5	283.9	1 175.6		
1997—								
February	872.7	38.8	203.4	36.5	278.8	1 151.4		
May	884.2	37.2	209.2	38.8	285.1	1 169.3		
August	900.8	37.3	211.7	37.5	286.4	1 187.2		
November	898.0	35.2	213.2	36.4	284.9	1 182.9		
1998—								
February	898.6	34.3	207.2	35.8	277.3	1 175.9		
May	925.9	34.1	211.4	35.7	281.2	1 207.1		

<sup>(</sup>a) Estimates are based on a sample survey and subject to sampling variability. See the Explanatory Notes in the publication Wage and Salary Earners, Australia (6248.0).

#### DURATION (a) OF UNEMPLOYMENT (b), QUEENSLAND

			Number of p	ersons unemploye	ed for			
Period	Less than 4 weeks	4 and under 8 weeks	8 and under 13 weeks	13 and under 26 weeks	26 and under 52 weeks	52 weeks or more	Total	Median duration
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	weeks
June—								
1993	23.4	15.4	11.5	28.6	32.5	45.2	156.7	24
1994	22.6	14.9	11.2	28.6	25.2	41.0	143.5	22
1995	23.2	17.6	11.4	31.7	26.1	34.8	144.9	21
1996	31.3	18.4	13.4	28.7	26.2	37.0	155.0	18
1997	24.9	12.2	18.0	31.7	26.3	36.5	149.5	21
1998	24.4	17.7	12.8	33.3	23.8	40.1	152.2	22
1997—								
August	28.8	20.1	14.4	22.1	34.2	41.2	160.8	21
September	24.3	12.4	18.3	20.4	35.7	46.4	157.4	26
October	24.9	16.4	12.4	24.2	29.8	43.0	150.6	21
November	27.2	19.2	13.1	20.6	27.9	47.9	155.9	21
December	33.7	17.9	12.9	22.1	24.2	45.5	156.3	19
1998—								
January	32.4	28.5	20.6	20.5	19.9	43.3	165.2	12
February	32.9	26.9	24.7	23.6	20.8	47.6	176.5	13
March	26.2	24.5	19.9	24.2	20.0	42.8	157.5	15
April	25.0	16.6	20.0	30.7	20.4	40.7	153.5	16
May	24.5	13.9	13.0	29.7	22.1	44.2	147.3	20
June	24.4	17.7	12.8	33.3	23.8	40.1	152.2	22
July	26.2	13.7	14.0	22.5	29.3	45.4	151.2	25
August	26.8	15.4	13.4	20.7	30.9	40.3	147.5	23
September	27.1	17.6	16.7	23.3	28.0	44.5	157.1	21
October	25.4	13.3	16.2	17.8	30.3	44.6	147.7	26

<sup>(</sup>a) Period from the time the person began looking for work or was stood down, to the end of survey week. (b) See the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Labour Force* (6203.0). Estimates are based on 1996 Population Census benchmarks.

#### **JOB VACANCIES AND OVERTIME, QUEENSLAND**

	Nun	nber of job vacancies			Average weekly overtime hours per employee		Proportion of employees in
	Secto	r					the survey
Month	Private	Government	Total	Job vacancy rate (a)	•	Working overtime	working overtime
	'000	'000	'000	%	No.	No.	%
1997—							
May	10.2	2.0	12.1	1.0	0.94	5.84	16.10
August	* 14.5	2.2	16.7	1.4	0.88	5.70	15.48
November	* 13.7	1.9	* 15.7	* 1.2	0.96	6.03	15.98
1998—							
February	* 12.4	1.6	14.0	1.1	0.83	5.93	13.94
May	* 14.0	1.5	* 15.4	1.2	1.00	6.35	15.81
August	*14.0	1.7	15.7	1.3	1.02	5.87	17.44

<sup>(</sup>a) The number of job vacancies as a proportion of the number of employees plus vacancies.

### WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS BY INDUSTRY DIVISION, QUEENSLAND ('000)

		1997				
ANZSIC industry division	February	May	August	November	February	May
Manufacturing	124.6	130.2	136.6	138.7	143.3	138.0
Construction	67.4	71.1	63.2	59.6	66.0	69.9
Wholesale trade	72.3	79.7	81.6	77.2	70.9	90.5
Retail trade	189.4	184.1	190.5	179.3	187.7	190.9
Transport and storage	56.6	54.9	52.5	52.0	48.2	51.8
Property and business services	90.6	87.3	93.7	96.8	99.7	98.0
Health and community services	131.0	135.9	136.4	134.7	132.9	131.3
Other (a)	419.5	426.1	432.7	444.4	427.3	436.5
Total	1 151.4	1 169.3	1 187.2	1 182.9	1 175.9	1 207.1

<sup>(</sup>a) Including employees of government agencies classified to Agriculture, forestry and fishing.

#### INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK, QUEENSLAND

	Number of dispute	s	Employees involve	d	
Period	Commenced in period	Total (a)	Newly involved (b)	Total (a)	Working days lost
	No.	No.	'000	'000	'000
1992–93	123	124	65.4	65.5	80.8
1993–94	110	114	56.2	59.4	147.8
1994–95	164	164	67.4	67.4	190.5
1995–96	147	151	78.9	79.7	168.3
1996–97	121	124	148.4	181.5	170.0
1997–98	64	66	27.7	28.1	49.7
1997—					
June	4	6	1.1	1.6	7.4
July	12	14	3.7	4.1	7.4
August	5	6	1.1	1.2	3.8
September	10	12	5.2	7.0	7.1
October	6	7	2.6	2.8	3.6
November	4	6	0.3	0.7	0.5
December	n.p.	5	0.2	1.2	1.3
1998—					
January	n.p.	n.p.	1.0	1.0	1.1
February	5	6	0.6	0.6	0.9
March	7	8	1.4	1.4	1.1
April	5	5	1.8	1.8	1.6
May	n.p.	n.p.	9.1	9.1	9.2
June	5	7	0.9	9.5	12.4
July	7	8	0.6	1.6	3.8
August	5	7	6.5	6.6	7.5

<sup>(</sup>a) All disputes involving stoppages of 10 working days or more which were in progress during the period. (b) Comprises employees involved in disputes which commenced during the month and additional employees involved in disputes which continued from the previous month.

### AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES, QUEENSLAND (\$)

				(Ψ)					
		Males			Females			Persons	
	Full-time a	adults	All males	Full-time	e adults	All females	Full-tir	ne adults	All employees
Quarter	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly ordinary time earnings	Weekly total earnings	Weekly total earnings
1995— February May August November	629.60 643.50 641.40 653.40	682.00 694.80 689.10 697.40	587.00 596.40 600.00 602.30	531.70 545.40 546.20 551.50	541.90 556.30 557.80 564.70	390.10 396.20 399.10 399.90	595.50 608.90 607.60 617.10	633.10 645.80 642.40 650.20	496.00 501.20 503.50 505.50
1996— February May August November	650.30 662.00 665.60 679.00	694.10 707.10 713.80 728.50	595.80 602.40 617.50 631.90	554.30 553.70 569.80 579.80	567.00 566.30 582.60 591.20	410.70 409.70 415.00 418.20	614.20 621.80 631.20 644.20	646.30 654.80 666.70 680.30	506.80 509.00 520.80 530.40
1997— February May August November	697.20 697.60 702.60 716.70	744.90 753.30 755.70 776.80	653.80 662.30 660.00 685.00	581.80 591.90 591.20 607.60	594.20 605.60 606.40 622.90	437.00 447.50 447.80 464.20	656.30 659.10 661.70 675.60	691.40 699.60 700.90 718.80	553.20 561.70 562.80 580.90
1998— February May August	732.20 738.60 742.90	783.20 789.90 800.90	689.10 703.10 711.30	612.90 616.10 613.50	624.50 628.70 627.00	463.10 458.50 461.50	686.30 693.50 695.60	722.20 730.50 737.40	580.50 586.30 593.30

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BRISBANE (Base Of Each Index: Year 1989–90 = 100.0)

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transport- ation	Alcohol and tobacco	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups
1995–96	116.5	105.3	112.0	112.6	120.7	150.9	135.9	118.1	119.1
1996–97	118.9	105.3	107.9	115.0	123.4	159.9	142.1	120.8	121.0
1997–98	121.5	105.3	100.7	115.9	123.3	165.5	149.8	124.5	121.6
1997—									
March qtr	119.8	104.8	106.4	115.1	124.4	162.3	144.8	122.1	121.5
June qtr	119.9	105.8	103.0	115.7	123.7	162.3	146.8	122.3	121.1
September qtr	118.7	105.3	102.4	115.6	123.7	162.9	143.8	122.8	120.7
December qtr	121.2	105.6	100.2	115.8	124.0	165.5	149.7	123.1	121.4
1998—									
March gtr	122.6	104.7	100.0	115.8	122.8	166.3	152.7	126.1	121.9
June qtr	123.3	105.7	100.3	116.4	122.8	167.2	152.8	125.8	122.3
September qtr	123.9	105.2	101.0	116.3	120.9	168.1	156.0	126.1	122.5

# AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE (cents)

						Quarter	ended		
		Ye	ar		1997			1998	
ltem	Unit	1996	1997	March	June	September	March	June	September
Dairy products									
Milk, carton (b)	1 litre	114	117	116	116	117	117	119	119
Milk, powdered, full cream	750 g pkt	463	468	469	469	467	492	483	478
Cheese, processed, sliced, wrapped	500 g pkt	351	364	390	362	338	368	366	381
Butter	500 g	170	175	173	180	173	170	179	162
Cereal products									
Bread, white, sliced (b)	680 g	187	194	194	197	191	191	192	195
Biscuits, dry	250 g pkt	149	160	158	158	161	151	161	157
Breakfast cereal, corn-based	550 g pkt	340	343	300	357	358	336	343	337
Flour, self-raising	2 kg pkt	260	267	268	267	267	278	269	271
Rice, medium grain	1 kg pkt	(c) 121	(d) (e) 141	(d) (e) 140	(d) (e) 138	(d) (e) 139	(d) (e) 146	(d) (e) 158	(d) (e) 153
Meat and seafoods									
Beef									
Silverside roast	1 kg	811	(f) (g) 723	756	781	(g) 717	(g) 724	(g) 725	(g) 743
Rump steak	1 kg	1 072	1 078	1 053	1 084	1 088	1 079	1 044	1 070
T-bone steak, with fillet	1 kg	979	981	1 011	950	978	1 017	990	968
Chuck steak	1 kg	620	601	569	602	617	596	601	588
Silverside, corned	1 kg	586	574	572	574	587	521	549	508
Lamb									
Leg	1 kg	597	589	587	579	616	566	545	601
Loin chops	1 kg	820	820	811	802	843	809	812	843
Forequarter chops	1 kg	499	493	489	477	498	505	501	507
Pork									
Leg	1 kg	613	617	602	591	630	605	520	504
Loin chops	1 kg	851	843	863	809	829	871	838	822
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	313	346	343	329	354	328	291	294
Bacon, middle rashers	250 g pkt	300	307	304	316	316	268	332	314
Beef, corned	340 g can	288	297	295	286	308	305	303	294
Sausages	1 kg	399	339	335	338	350	345	335	327
Salmon, pink	210 g can	233	225	220	224	222	244	262	266

### AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED ITEMS (a), BRISBANE—continued (cents)

			<u>-</u>			Quarte	er ended		
	_		Year		1997			1998	
ltem	Unit	1996	1997	March	June	September	March	June	September
Fresh fruit and vegetables									
Oranges	1 kg	129	141	130	132	136	161	147	158
Bananas	1 kg	205	222	194	266	251	132	142	150
Potatoes	1 kg	90	110	93	116	117	107	115	114
Tomatoes	1 kg	243	208	220	248	176	256	318	276
Carrots	1 kg	113	117	145	117	100	149	178	158
Onions	1 kg	98	108	117	99	110	105	107	154
Processed fruit and vegetables									
Peaches	825 g can	191	196	199	193	194	191	196	207
Pineapple, sliced	450 g can	97	104	102	107	104	103	114	109
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	137	129	137	134	118	132	136	123
Confectionery									
Chocolate, milk, block	250 g	276	282	271	281	292	295	291	293
Other food									
Eggs	52 g (min.), 1 doz.	277	278	281	289	262	232	299	275
Sugar, white	2 kg pkt	202	189	193	177	196	204	212	214
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar	232	244	234	242	238	262	249	230
Tea	250 g pkt	188	196	189	195	189	238	252	259
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	578	607	546	597	629	656	636	617
Tomato sauce	600 ml bottle	198	188	198	189	189	191	197	192
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500 g tub	153	154	145	165	145	156	169	186
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	425 g can	(h) 99	(c) 101	99	103	100	(e) (i) 97	(e) (i) 105	(e) (i) 95
Baby food	125 g can	58	(p) 60	58	61	(e) (j) 60	(e) (j) 62	(e) (j) 62	(e) (j) 60
Household supplies									
Laundry detergent	1 kg	533	529	553	566	511	496	502	486
Dishwashing detergent	1 litre	351	(e, f, k) 350	365	362	(e) (k) 347	(e) (k) 357	(e) (k) 326	(e) (k) 338
Facial tissues	pkt of 224	190	192	190	188	192	203	197	197
Toilet paper	4 x 280 sheet rolls	344	(c) 350	347	351	351	(e) (l) 356	(e) (l) 355	(e) (l) 354
Pet food	410 g can	99	100	97	100	98	103	(e) (m) 105	(e) (m) 95
Private motoring									
Petrol, leaded	1 litre	65.4	67.3	68.2	67.1	65.8	63.9	64.4	61.4
Petrol, unleaded	1 litre	63.2	65.1	66.0	64.9	63.6	61.7	62.1	59.2
Alcoholic beverages									
Beer, low alcohol, unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 307	2 333	2 355	2 339	2 303	2 345	2 359	2 282
Beer, full strength (n), unchilled	24 x 375 ml bottles	2 564	2 612	2 570	2 602	2 638	2 614	2 618	2 634
Draught beer, full strength (n),									
public bar	285 ml glass	177	180	179	179	180	183	183	184
Draught beer, low alcohol,	-								
public bar	285 ml glass	166	169	168	169	170	170	171	174
Scotch, nip, public bar	30 ml	251	254	252	254	255	259	260	264
Personal care products									
Toilet soap	2 x 125 g	182	(f) 293	186	181	(e) (o) 283	(e) (o) 307	(e) (o) 308	(e) (o) 301
Toothpaste	140 g tube	257	253	258	244	253	275	260	240

<sup>(</sup>a) Average prices of specific brands, etc. charged by a number of representative retailers. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all sales of these items. Refer to the Explanatory Notes in the ABS publication *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (6403.0) for more details. (b) Supermarket sales. (c) Average based on prices for March, June and September quarters. (d) Long grain rice. (e) Price not comparable with other periods due to change in size and/or specification. (f) Average based on prices for September and December quarters. (g) Topside roast. (h) Average based on prices for June, September and December quarters. (i) 420 g can. (j) 120 g can. (k) 500 ml. (l) 4 x 270 sheet roll. (m) 400g can. (n) The alcoholic content of full strength beer is greater than 3.9%. (o) 4 x 125 g. (p) Average based on prices for March and June quarters.

#### PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, BRISBANE

				1996–97			1997–98	
Group	1996–97	1997–98	March	June	September	March	June	September
	HOUSE BUILDI	NG (BASE OF EAG	CH INDEX: YEA	R 1989–90 =	= 100.0)			
All groups	115.3	117.1	115.4	116.5	116.8	117.0	117.9	118.4
BUILDIN	NG OTHER THAN HO	USE BUILDING (I	BASE OF EACH	INDEX: YEAR	1989-90 = 100	0.0)		
Selected major building materials								
Structural timber	109.8	113.0	109.8	110.8	111.9	114.8	114.9	114.9
Clay bricks	104.3	106.1	105.5	106.1	107.1	105.8	105.8	106.2
Ready-mixed concrete	104.2	106.6	104.2	107.3	108.8	105.8	106.4	106.3
Precast concrete products	112.5	112.2	112.8	113.0	113.2	110.7	111.5	112.8
Steel decking and cladding	111.3	113.7	112.3	113.7	113.7	113.7	113.8	114.0
Structural steel	136.7	136.6	136.1	136.1	137.8	136.0	136.0	139.1
Reinforcing steel bar, fabric and mesh	114.8	116.0	114.6	116.0	116.8	115.5	115.6	113.6
Aluminium windows	103.7	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	105.6
Fabricated steel products	120.1	122.9	122.1	123.1	122.8	123.5	122.5	123.5
Builders' hardware	104.1	103.6	104.3	104.4	104.4	101.7	106.5	106.8
Sand and aggregate	156.6	154.4	156.6	156.6	157.4	157.3	145.5	145.6
Carpet	94.8	94.8	95.0	94.7	94.2	94.8	95.2	95.7
Paint and other coatings	128.3	130.3	128.0	129.3	129.9	129.8	131.6	130.5
Nonferrous pipes and fittings	154.4	161.6	154.9	158.2	161.7	161.6	161.6	156.1
Special combinations of building materials								
All electrical materials	109.7	111.7	110.0	110.6	111.2	111.6	113.0	114.0
All mechanical services	113.9	114.1	113.9	113.9	114.2	113.8	114.3	114.5
All plumbing materials	123.1	125.7	123.5	125.0	126.6	125.6	125.1	124.0
All groups, excluding electrical								
materials and mechanical services	117.6	119.2	117.8	118.8	119.6	118.9	119.2	119.6
All groups	115.9	117.2	116.1	116.9	117.5	117.0	117.3	117.8

#### MANUFACTURING AND FOREIGN TRADE PRICE INDEXES, AUSTRALIA

		Manufacturing price indexes				xport price ind		Import price index numbers (a)		
	^	Materials used (	(a)	Articles		Wool and	Base metals and		Machinery	rs (a)
Period	Imported	Domestic	All materials	produced (b)	Mineral products	cotton	articles of base metals	All groups	and trans- port equip.	All groups
	portou	201110000	matorialo	(2)	producto		2400 motalo	B. oapo	port oquip.	8,00,00
1992–93	107.8	105.7	106.4	114.3	108.2	60.9	81.0	93.5	116.8	112.1
1993–94	108.8	102.5	104.7	115.5	100.9	59.0	76.3	91.8	123.1	115.6
1994–95	112.7	104.9	107.6	118.1	95.0	80.8	96.8	94.7	121.1	114.8
1995–96	117.6	106.0	110.1	121.1	100.9	72.7	97.0	96.1	117.4	115.0
1996–97	109.4	104.2	106.0	121.8	103.0	67.6	86.1	92.4	108.5	108.6
1997–98	112.2	104.1	107.0	123.4	113.7	75.8	94.1	98.9	115.5	115.4
1995—										
March	112.2	105.7	108.0	118.9	94.5	83.3	104.9	95.8	119.0	113.7
June	119.6	108.5	112.4	120.3	100.8	88.0	104.1	99.7	126.1	119.8
September	119.9	106.6	111.3	120.9	100.7	84.4	104.7	98.5	123.0	118.6
December	118.6	105.3	110.0	120.9	100.2	72.8	98.7	96.0	118.7	116.1
1996—										
March	118.1	106.7	110.7	121.5	102.1	68.6	94.5	96.5	116.4	114.8
June	113.9	105.2	108.2	121.1	100.4	65.0	89.9	93.4	111.4	110.5
September	110.8	103.5	106.1	121.0	100.9	67.2	84.5	93.0	110.1	109.4
December	109.6	104.2	106.1	121.5	101.7	65.5	80.7	91.1	108.5	108.5
1997—										
March	108.9	105.1	106.3	122.2	104.3	66.7	88.2	92.0	107.9	108.4
June	108.1	104.0	105.4	122.3	105.1	70.9	90.8	93.4	107.6	107.9
September	109.9	104.6	106.5	122.9	107.9	77.8	96.0	95.9	110.8	110.8
December	111.9	106.3	108.2	123.7	113.7	77.2	96.8	99.2	114.9	115.4
1998—										
March	112.5	102.6	106.2	123.3	114.5	75.9	92.7	99.4	117.6	116.7
June	114.6	102.7	107.1	123.7	114.5	72.3	91.0	100.9	118.8	118.5
September	116.6	102.7	107.5	124.0	122.4	67.6	93.3	100.9	123.7	122.9
September	110.0	102.2	107.5	124.0	122.4	07.0	93.3	102.0	123.1	122.9

<sup>(</sup>a) Base: year 1989-90 = 100.0. (b) Base: year 1988-89 = 100.0.

#### LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a) AND PRODUCTION OF SELECTED COMMODITIES (b), QUEENSLAND

			Livestock slaughter	ed		Meat pro	duced (c)
Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs	Beef	Vea
	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	'000 head	tonnes	tonnes
1992–93	2 851.5	153.8	1 389.2	648.0	1 155.3	753 477	7 179
1993-94	2 781.8	148.7	856.6	669.6	1 207.9	742 701	6 352
1994-95	2 557.8	117.1	770.9	608.7	1 154.4	697 750	4 918
1995-96	2 406.9	91.2	727.5	695.3	1 080.0	655 664	3 854
1996-97	2 517.9	120.9	977.3	785.1	1 002.3	687 802	5 579
1997–98	3 014.6	114.8	1 277.1	765.7	1 082.8	799 778	5 520
1997—							
July	288.0	10.9	100.4	73.7	94.9	77 114	479
August	277.7	9.8	89.9	71.3	86.6	74 685	438
September	279.9	9.8	103.0	72.4	85.2	75 324	436
October	267.8	10.3	119.4	67.8	92.1	71 366	463
November	245.4	8.5	101.6	52.3	88.9	66 473	397
December	168.8	7.5	107.4	53.3	89.2	44 691	350
1998—							
January	155.4	10.2	131.3	66.1	87.1	39 894	496
February	240.8	9.6	117.5	58.8	93.3	64 877	470
March	266.8	10.5	117.3	65.2	91.5	70 467	542
April	263.7	10.3	109.9	68.3	88.7	68 184	533
May	281.8	9.0	87.0	60.2	95.0	73 209	481
June	278.5	8.4	92.4	56.3	90.3	73 494	435
July	304.8	9.8	117.0	68.6	103.4	82 208	517
August	288.5	8.3	122.8	66.0	95.4	76 824	432
September	281.2	8.3	112.6	63.6	96.4	75 383	406

		Meat produced	(c)	Dressed	Total Factory		Cheese,
			Pigmeats	weight of chickens	intake of whole	Butter	non- processed
Period	Mutton	Lamb	(d)	slaughtered	milk (e)	(e) (f)	(e) (f)
					million		
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	'000 kg	litres	tonnes	tonnes
1992–93	26 656	10 570	79 749	67 305	702	5 870	12 213
1993-94	21 282	12 447	84 553	72 000	764	6 774	16 502
1994-95	15 308	10 621	83 143	76 337	741	5 845	15 734
1995–96	14 161	12 584	77 696	71 607	751	7 162	19 303
1996–97	19 646	14 348	73 809	80 485	797	8 683	23 464
1997–98	24 553	13 948	81 171	89 458	823	8 563	22 093
1997—							
July	1 936	1 395	7 157	8 246	69	718	2 090
August	1 762	1 296	6 575	6 696	73	744	1 911
September	2 076	1 332	6 414	7 309	72	820	2 085
October	2 378	1 255	6 984	7 853	76	808	2 380
November	1 970	951	6 699	6 989	73	750	1 555
December	2 102	982	6 348	7 815	72	784	2 146
1998—							
January	2 574	1 209	6 404	7 730	71	796	1 799
February	2 227	1 073	6 837	7 079	61	631	1 625
March	2 258	1 169	6 758	7 779	65	622	1 733
April	2 052	1 210	6 681	7 486	60	465	1 406
May	1 530	1 070	7 374	6 916	65	594	1 534
June	1 688	1 006	6 940	7 560	66	829	1 829
July	2 180	1 290	8 000	n.y.a.	70	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
August	2 405	1 237	7 341	n.y.a.	75	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
September	2 201	1 188	7 327	n.y.a.	76	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

<sup>(</sup>a) Including livestock slaughtered on farms. (b) Excluding producers with fewer than four persons employed and minor production from essentially non-manufacturing activities. (c) Dressed carcass weight. Excluding offal. (d) Including quantities used to produce bacon and ham. (e) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (f) Excluding farm production.

# ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND (\$ million)

				Quarter er	nded		
			1997			1998	
1996-97	1997–98	March	June	September	December	March	June
3 605.0 3 593.4	4 696.5 3 828.0	723.5 793.4	673.4 986.9	933.0 890.0	1 230.2 953.0	1 252.1 921.4	1 281.2 1 063.5 2 027.1
	3 605.0	3 605.0 4 696.5 3 593.4 3 828.0	3 605.0 4 696.5 723.5 3 593.4 3 828.0 793.4	1996–97 1997–98 <i>March June</i> 3 605.0 4 696.5 723.5 673.4 3 593.4 3 828.0 793.4 986.9	1997  1996–97 1997–98 March June September  3 605.0 4 696.5 723.5 673.4 933.0 3 593.4 3 828.0 793.4 986.9 890.0	1996–97 1997–98 March June September December  3 605.0 4 696.5 723.5 673.4 933.0 1 230.2 3 593.4 3 828.0 793.4 986.9 890.0 953.0	1996-97     1997-98     March     June     September     December     March       3 605.0     4 696.5     723.5     673.4     933.0     1 230.2     1 252.1       3 593.4     3 828.0     793.4     986.9     890.0     953.0     921.4

#### **BUILDING ACTIVITY (a), QUEENSLAND**

	Dwelling	units in new resia buildings	ential	V				
Period	Commenced	Completed	Under con- struction at end of period	New houses	New other residential buildings	Non- residential building	Total (b)	Value of work done in period
	No.	No.	No.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1992–93	46 985	45 541	14 760	2 907.3	771.9	1 700.4	5 608.2	5 467.0
1993-94	53 085	49 615	17 993	3 015.8	1 007.3	1 391.7	5 644.9	5 993.1
1994-95	46 160	48 456	15 389	3 172.3	1 100.1	1 834.1	6 351.8	6 819.9
1995-96	31 125	35 103	11 125	2 372.2	994.9	2 656.7	6 290.7	5 791.8
1996-97	31 874	30 405	12 371	2 320.2	695.2	2 389.1	5 681.7	5 964.9
1997–98	34 789	33 174	13 903	2 555.0	914.0	2 362.5	6 134.5	6 539.8
1997—								
March qtr	7 413	7 128	12 003	520.9	228.6	629.7	1 436.5	1 365.2
June qtr	8 174	7 707	12 371	594.8	176.1	559.7	1 403.5	1 482.6
September qtr	8 618	8 713	12 211	640.5	241.8	531.6	1 487.2	1 618.9
December qtr	9 282	8 910	12 599	718.3	232.7	899.3	1 932.7	1 702.4
1998—								
March qtr	8 032	7 596	13 017	582.3	256.2	465.1	1 384.0	1 517.6
June qtr	8 857	7 955	13 903	613.9	183.2	466.6	1 330.6	1 700.9

<sup>(</sup>a) The scope of building activity includes: (i) all new residential buildings, irrespective of value, and alterations and additions to residential buildings with an approval value of \$10,000 and over and (ii) non-residential building (including alterations and additions to existing buildings) with an approval value of \$50,000 and over.
(b) Including alterations and additions (valued at \$10,000 and over) to residential buildings, which are not shown in the foregoing columns.

#### BUILDING ACTIVITY: NUMBER OF NEW DWELLING UNITS (a) BY TYPE AND STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, QUEENSLAND

	Commenced				Completed		Under construction at end of period			
Period	Houses	Other resi- dential buildings	Total	Houses	Other resi- dential buildings	Total	Houses	Other resi- dential buildings	Total	
1992–93	33 516	13 469	46 985	33 600	11 941	45 541	8 559	6 201	14 760	
1993–94	35 751	17 334	53 085	34 793	14 822	49 615	9 504	8 489	17 993	
1994–95	31 047	15 113	46 160	33 527	14 929	48 456	6 971	8 418	15 389	
1995–96	23 082	8 043	31 125	23 852	11 251	35 103	6 049	5 076	11 125	
1996–97	22 870	9 004	31 874	22 551	7 854	30 405	6 284	6 087	12 371	
1997–98	23 660	11 165	34 826	23 248	9 926	33 174	6 677	7 226	13 903	
1997—										
March qtr	4 985	2 428	7 413	4 988	2 140	7 128	6 137	5 866	12 003	
June qtr	5 913	2 261	8 174	5 690	2 017	7 707	6 284	6 087	12 371	
September qtr	6 132	2 486	8 618	5 908	2 805	8 713	6 486	5 725	12 211	
December qtr	6 224	3 058	9 283	6 610	2 300	8 910	6 116	6 483	12 598	
1998—										
March qtr	5 457	2 575	8 032	5 058	2 538	7 596	6 497	6 520	13 017	
June qtr	5 847	3 046	8 893	5 672	2 283	7 955	6 677	7 226	13 903	

<sup>(</sup>a) Including new houses and dwelling units in other residential buildings (e.g. flats, home units, etc.) but excluding units offering temporary accommodation (e.g. motels, hostels, etc.) and caretakers' quarters in non-residential buildings.

#### **BUILDING APPROVALS (a), QUEENSLAND**

			ILDING AF	. NOTALO	(a), <b>Q</b> 022	11021112	Alterations and	Non	residential	
							additions		uilding	
		Dwelling u			dings		to residential	Private		Total value of
Period	Privat	e sector	Public	sector	To	tal	buildings	sector	Total	building
	No.	\$m	No.	\$m	No.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1992-93	45 992	3 700.1	1 940	129.4	47 932	3 829.6	212.9	941.8	1 383.9	5 426.3
1993-94	53 427	4 464.3	1 765	126.7	55 192	4 591.0	229.2	1 348.4	1 761.6	6 581.8
1994-95	43 596	3 856.7	1 602	144.1	45 198	4 000.7	240.9	1 570.9	2 063.5	6 305.1
1995-96	29 579	2 819.5	872	72.0	30 451	2 891.4	242.9	1 807.9	2 326.0	5 467.4
1996-97	31 853	3 083.4	1 233	108.3	33 086	3 191.6	270.0	1 568.0	2 241.0	5 705.8
1997–98	35 335	3 510.5	1 064	97.8	36 399	3 608.2	289.6	1 821.9	3 372.7	7 270.4
1997—										
July	3 353	329.3	10	1.3	3 363	330.5	22.3	219.6	535.1	888.0
August	3 055	297.3	39	4.3	3 094	301.7	27.3	125.6	293.6	622.6
September	3 432	352.9	59	8.8	3 491	361.7	26.2	205.0	255.9	643.9
October	3 122	299.1	54	4.1	3 176	303.1	24.4	132.4	249.4	576.9
November	2 515	236.1	113	10.0	2 628	246.2	24.5	124.5	182.0	452.6
December	2 772	251.8	41	3.2	2 813	255.0	18.2	70.7	116.3	389.5
1998—										
January	2 910	307.0	25	2.5	2 935	309.5	19.8	114.2	200.1	529.4
February	2 718	276.4	45	4.4	2 763	280.8	22.5	153.2	320.7	624.0
March	2 959	296.4	105	9.4	3 064	305.8	24.0	95.6	270.5	600.3
April	3 126	328.6	154	12.9	3 280	341.5	25.1	133.0	305.4	671.9
May	2 814	281.8	252	21.2	3 066	302.9	25.3	213.4	326.8	655.0
June	2 639	253.8	167	15.7	2 806	269.5	29.8	234.7	316.9	616.3
July	2 460	258.4	29	3.8	2 489	262.2	26.1	125.4	149.5	437.8
August	2 547	250.2	32	2.8	2 579	252.9	22.6	104.0	296.9	572.4
September	2 720	270.1	98	9.9	2 818	280.1	28.3	110.8	152.1	460.5

<sup>(</sup>a) The scope of building approvals includes: (i) all approved new residential building jobs valued at \$10,000 or more; (ii) all approved non-residential building jobs valued at \$50,000 or more and (iii) approved alterations and additions valued at \$10,000 or more to residential buildings.

#### HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION, QUEENSLAND

Secured housing finance commitments to individuals Dwelling units involved All banks For purchase For purchase of dwellings For For Newly Previously Refinance construction Newly Previously Refinance Period established of dwellings established Total (b) construction erected erected (a) (a) No. No. No. No. \$m \$m \$m \$m \$m 1992-93 24 832 3 338 55 502 12 904 1 444 203 3 499 725 6 168 1993-94 25 967 4 948 58 980 18 725 1 837 359 4 142 1 154 7 950 1994-95 20 166 4 429 48 707 13 950 1 497 376 3 723 892 7 089 3 854 44 599 1 146 3 408 1 110 6 701 1995-96 15 141 18 417 354 1996-97 15 097 4 038 44 378 20 449 1 262 376 3 718 1 389 7 212 1997-98 15 157 4 116 43 680 16 313 1 443 398 3 932 1 135 7 246 1997— 1 414 366 3 618 1 895 653 128 34 332 129 July August 1 410 330 3 493 1 653 132 30 313 120 621 September 1 429 370 3 787 1 600 133 35 345 106 652 1 343 407 3 826 1 544 126 35 334 106 636 October 1 382 3 739 November 1 268 340 119 31 340 94 615 December 1 173 363 3 601 1 208 114 36 330 85 593 1998— 936 292 3 096 1 042 91 30 279 77 497 January 1 216 301 3 693 1 152 29 328 81 585 February 118 March 1 283 351 3 683 1 251 125 37 327 85 605 1 213 316 3 792 1 109 120 33 335 72 582 April 3 722 May 1 188 323 1 164 108 31 319 76 559 1 284 357 3 630 1 313 130 36 350 105 648 June 1 135 350 3 674 34 357 July 1 124 122 84 620 August 1 120 346 3 226 1 101 120 43 343 88 619 September 1 250 340 3 442 1 131 119 36 342 89 607

Secured housing finance commitments to individuals— continued

		Permanent building societies					
		For purchase o	of dwellings			Finance	
Period	For construction of dwellings	Newly erected	Previously established	Refinance (a)	Total (b)	companies, government and other	Total (b)
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1992-93	216	67	736	148	1 221	367	7 755
1993-94	291	85	902	193	1 537	241	9 728
1994–95	243	57	684	163	1 199	232	8 520
1995-96	226	30	661	158	1 116	662	8 480
1996–97	198	12	390	77	701	777	8 690
1997–98	167	8	327	82	601	929	8 776
1997—							
July	15	_	25	5	47	77	777
August	13	_	25	6	45	73	739
September	16	1	28	8	54	84	790
October	12	1	33	8	56	86	778
November	20	1	27	7	57	75	747
December	13	1	30	6	52	70	715
1998—							
January	12	1	23	5	42	59	598
February	12	_	24	7	44	77	707
March	16	_	29	7	54	85	744
April	12	1	27	7	49	82	713
May	12	_	28	9	51	82	691
June	13	1	27	8	51	78	777
July	13	1	27	7	49	70	738
August	13	_	24	6	44	64	728
September	11	1	24	7	43	69	720

<sup>(</sup>a) For existing home loans. (b) Including alterations and additions.

### SELECTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: LOANS OUTSTANDING (a), QUEENSLAND (\$ million)

	Building socie	ties	Finance compa	nies	Credit cooperatives (b)		
Month	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total	Individuals	Total	
1997—							
July	2 099.9	2 752.6	1 765.3	5 331.5	1 765.3	1 791.8	
August	2 105.4	2 767.2	1 750.4	5 346.9	1 776.8	1 804.4	
September	2 113.8	2 778.8	1 760.2	5 379.0	1 793.8	1 821.9	
October	2 217.1	2 887.2	1 757.9	4 880.8	1 723.7	1 751.1	
November	2 234.5	2 916.9	1 759.7	4 977.1	1 747.3	1 775.1	
December	2 262.2	2 949.1	1 749.5	4 900.0	1 779.3	1 808.5	
1998—							
January	2 306.3	2 973.7	1 795.9	4 928.3	1 811.4	1 840.7	
February	2 331.1	3 010.9	1 809.7	4 901.2	1 843.4	1 873.3	
March	2 359.8	3 051.9	1 869.1	4 966.0	1 881.4	1 911.5	
April	2 399.9	3 098.2	1 874.9	4 957.4	1 915.1	1 946.8	
May	2 429.5	3 133.0	1 889.0	5 153.1	1 945.1	1 977.0	
June	2 469.9	3 187.6	1 911.0	5 141.5	1 983.5	2 016.1	
July	2 504.5	3 229.3	1 932.9	5 038.4	2 011.6	2 045.1	
August	2 545.1	3 272.3	1 969.8	5 086.5	2 038.8	2 069.8	
September	2 579.5	3 317.7	2 021.4	5 116.7	2 080.4	2 113.2	

<sup>(</sup>a) At end of period. (b) Credit cooperatives with assets in Australia exceeding \$5m.

# LEASE, COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL FINANCE, QUEENSLAND (\$ million)

	Lease fina	ance	Revolving	credit limits at end of p	period	
	Total finance	Commitments	Commercial fir	nance	Personal t	înance
Month	lease commitments	not drawn at end of period	Total	Used	Total	Used
1997—						
July	176.8	62.3	15 877.5	9 660.7	9 438.4	4 168.4
August	152.0	46.6	16 059.5	9 695.3	9 630.3	4 203.4
September	164.3	42.9	16 104.9	9 913.3	9 843.5	4 319.5
October	170.3	44.9	16 222.7	9 641.0	10 097.7	4 387.7
November	155.8	42.5	16 314.5	9 832.2	10 225.8	4 534.0
December	191.9	45.9	16 736.5	9 960.3	10 463.9	4 704.9
1998—						
January	145.6	41.3	16 859.5	10 066.2	10 624.4	4 793.3
February	162.1	39.6	17 088.1	10 207.3	10 799.5	4 947.0
March	184.0	41.7	16 972.6	10 338.8	11 030.1	5 071.5
April	176.3	41.8	17 185.6	10 373.6	11 235.9	5 207.8
May	172.1	43.8	17 562.0	10 557.5	11 450.8	5 336.0
June	283.2	43.9	17 731.6	10 903.8	11 736.1	5 606.7
July	214.5	35.0	17 988.7	11 036.5	11 491.5	5 506.7
August	153.1	30.9	17 186.6	10 773.4	11 727.5	5 641.0
September	168.6	31.8	17 343.4	10 927.0	12 039.5	5 687.5

#### SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS (a) BY TYPE OF BORROWER, QUEENSLAND

		First ho	ome buyers			Other		
Month	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size	Number of dwellings financed	Number as per cent of total	Value of commitments	Average borrowing size
	No.	%	\$m	\$'000	No.	%	\$m	\$'000
1997—								
July	1 441	19.8	146.7	101.8	5 852	80.2	598.7	102.3
August	1 485	21.6	149.1	100.4	5 401	78.4	562.8	104.2
September	1 541	21.4	157.0	101.9	5 645	78.6	597.2	105.8
October	1 550	21.8	156.0	100.6	5 570	78.2	583.2	104.7
November	1 647	24.5	163.7	99.4	5 082	75.5	548.9	108.0
December	1 449	22.8	146.1	100.8	4 896	77.2	537.1	109.7
1998—								
January	1 160	21.6	120.0	103.4	4 206	78.4	455.1	108.2
February	1 492	23.5	154.9	103.8	4 870	76.5	519.1	106.6
March	1 514	23.1	157.6	104.1	5 054	76.9	550.9	109.0
April	1 421	22.1	148.6	104.6	5 009	77.9	539.0	107.6
May	1 390	21.7	144.0	103.6	5 007	78.3	520.2	103.9
June	1 393	21.2	150.9	108.3	5 191	78.8	595.4	114.7
July	1 516	24.1	165.2	109.0	4 767	75.9	547.7	114.9
August	1 351	23.3	162.0	119.9	4 442	76.7	538.8	121.3
September	1 413	22.9	160.1	113.3	4 750	77.1	535.3	112.7

<sup>(</sup>a) Excluding alterations and additions, including refinancing.

# ALL BANKS: DEPOSITS AND LENDING (\$ million)

		Deposits							
Month	Current	Term (a)	Investment savings	Other	Total	Other lending (b)			
1997—									
July	13 550	23 619	4 918	4 405	46 491	61 040			
August	13 512	23 252	5 035	4 521	46 319	61 025			
September	13 730	22 985	5 044	4 568	46 327	61 464			
October	14 356	22 896	5 045	4 653	46 951	62 557			
November	14 416	22 724	5 008	4 759	46 906	62 854			
December	14 756	23 308	4 993	4 807	47 863	63 230			
1998—									
January	14 574	23 317	4 992	4 809	47 691	62 837			
February	14 366	23 199	4 971	4 827	47 362	63 954			
March	14 163	21 858	4 952	4 783	45 756	64 221			
April	14 612	21 911	4 762	4 795	46 080	64 039			
May	14 659	22 518	4 955	4 824	46 956	64 540			
June	14 834	22 346	4 930	4 810	46 919	64 815			
July	15 191	22 102	4 762	4 906	46 960	66 015			
August	15 714	22 978	4 986	5 064	48 742	66 278			
September	15 868	22 821	4 973	5 071	48 733	67 446			

<sup>(</sup>a) Including certificates of deposit. (b) Excluding public sector securities held by banks and commercial lending through intermediaries.

# STATE ACCOUNTS (a): EXPENDITURE (\$ million)

		(, )			
	Final consump	otion expenditure	Gross fixed capit	al expenditure	State final
Period	Private	Government	Private	Public	demand
1995–96	44 923	11 415	14 174	4 705	75 217
1996-97	46 168	11 671	16 045	5 279	79 163
1997–98	48 788	12 204	16 141	4 871	82 005
1997—					
March qtr	11 084	2 822	3 582	1 230	18 718
June qtr	11 567	2 971	4 397	1 933	20 868
September qtr	11 912	3 015	4 457	938	20 322
December qtr	12 810	3 157	4 343	1 263	21 573
1998—					
March qtr	11 725	2 896	3 474	1 004	19 100
June qtr	12 341	3 136	3 867	1 667	21 010

<sup>(</sup>a) At average 1989-90 prices.

### NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY INDUSTRY GROUP AND TYPE OF ASSET, QUEENSLAND (\$ million)

		Indu	stry group	Type of asset			
Period	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	New capital equipment	Total
1995–96	961	1 433	3 459	5 853	1 563	4 290	5 853
1996-97	1 865	1 734	4 002	7 602	2 739	4 863	7 602
1997–98	1 979	1 759	3 667	7 405	2 516	4 889	7 405
1997—							
March qtr	543	420	870	1 833	747	1 086	1 833
June qtr	435	621	1 071	2 127	631	1 495	2 127
September qtr	477	574	918	1 969	664	1 305	1 969
December qtr	532	511	986	2 029	732	1 297	2 029
1998—							
March gtr	337	285	749	1 371	441	930	1 371
June qtr	633	389	1 014	2 036	680	1 356	2 036

### VALUE OF INTERSTATE EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND (\$'000) (Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

				Selected co	mmodities (b)		
Period	Total	Meat (c)	Crude materials, inedible (d)	Chemicals and related materials	Manuf. goods class. chiefly by material	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items
1992–93	4 235 353	180 508	743 687	178 785	857 203	656 852	252 174
1993–94	4 627 314	213 859	757 955	190 465	925 859	868 571	294 577
1994–95	5 326 975	203 049	705 341	196 411	1 130 058	1 086 216	329 097
1995–96	6 219 976	174 819	760 638	265 811	1 318 475	974 455	397 904
1996–97	6 022 732	149 247	717 739	318 837	1 142 478	920 284	437 023
1997–98	6 368 399	236 531	653 479	424 401	1 050 763	1 121 902	397 724
1997—							
March qtr	1 388 873	36 959	161 186	78 818	246 958	213 590	133 189
June qtr	1 626 866	50 630	195 727	96 118	321 184	252 691	84 588
September qtr	1 742 514	53 618	181 252	98 581	280 239	297 105	112 299
December qtr	1 672 976	59 529	164 126	94 964	267 595	291 783	121 439
1998—							
March qtr	1 436 112	56 337	158 752	117 888	245 463	266 081	83 826
June qtr	1 516 797	67 047	149 348	112 968	257 465	266 932	80 160

<sup>(</sup>a) Interstate exports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. (c) All meat and meat products, fresh, frozen, preserved or canned. (d) Including gold ores and concentrates.

#### **VALUE OF INTERSTATE IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND** (\$'000)

(Source: Queensland Government Statistician)

			Selected commodities (b)						
Period	Total	Food and live animals	Mineral fuels and lubricants	Chemicals	Iron and steel	Machinery and transport equipment	Miscellaneous manufactured items		
1992–93	9 768 709	1 438 186	598 897	1 257 271	645 807	2 844 247	1 273 387		
1993–94	11 426 272	1 781 351	728 036	1 387 728	752 374	3 368 671	1 559 800		
1994–95	12 496 497	1 948 425	754 779	1 472 191	796 620	3 794 489	1 737 118		
1995-96	13 381 379	1 823 107	1 543 589	1 601 163	830 520	3 869 286	1 680 581		
1996-97	13 486 288	1 809 836	1 438 294	1 710 559	782 342	3 913 782	1 815 744		
1997–98	14 303 616	2 017 014	1 422 408	1 838 664	766 908	4 211 380	1 919 678		
1997—									
March qtr	3 190 646	427 910	340 855	403 370	207 758	927 702	419 334		
June qtr	3 445 575	483 313	354 427	466 725	186 767	1 026 320	425 080		
September qtr	3 630 365	505 673	379 313	462 433	206 061	1 016 965	508 369		
December qtr	3 830 798	531 574	362 474	475 540	190 572	1 094 077	579 638		
1998—									
March qtr	3 314 122	515 612	328 570	423 007	189 561	977 294	416 195		
June qtr	3 528 331	464 155	352 051	477 685	180 714	1 123 044	415 476		

<sup>(</sup>a) Interstate imports are compiled using a new classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown.

### VALUE OF FOREIGN EXPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND (\$'000)

			Se	elected commod	lities (c)		
Period	Total (b)	Meat (d)	Sugar (e)	Wool (f)	Coal	Cereal grains	Nonferrous metals
1992–93	12 026 653	1 780 254	986 462	154 362	4 379 206	146 213	934 754
1993–94	12 273 966	1 857 278	1 231 094	119 220	4 143 343	183 977	860 105
1994–95	12 747 169	1 597 302	1 619 577	170 231	4 124 509	83 496	836 778
1995–96	13 924 591	1 404 938	1 535 485	114 619	4 481 771	210 687	930 166
1996–97	13 879 798	1 218 811	1 523 516	113 654	4 557 376	544 259	779 231
1997–98	16 608 874	1 624 007	n.y.a.	110 290	5 532 560	370 610	1 298 544
1997—							
July	1 413 288	141 453	215 905	18 720	415 192	12 290	100 806
August	1 453 775	145 939	208 964	13 479	436 230	37 745	104 611
September	1 447 460	134 254	227 040	9 312	456 006	41 829	87 744
October	1 526 974	163 450	238 826	14 524	441 699	44 419	111 235
November	1 440 728	131 323	210 329	8 153	451 378	70 367	111 493
December	1 270 784	136 469	68 806	9 306	494 631	29 768	104 877
1998—							
January	1 163 546	63 683	n.y.a.	2 891	509 811	29 772	104 403
February	1 130 549	117 727	n.y.a.	7 142	445 315	22 241	85 298
March	1 295 169	139 624	n.y.a.	5 193	411 299	11 745	141 700
April	1 412 063	117 921	n.y.a.	7 889	469 675	8 599	94 295
May	1 536 434	168 385	n.y.a.	6 985	504 313	22 365	130 767
June	1 581 094	163 780	n.y.a.	6 696	497 012	39 472	121 315
July	1 507 719	177 318	n.y.a.	8 373	486 393	16 981	125 984
August	1 533 947	160 856	n.y.a.	6 203	483 462	31 840	123 245
September	1 550 908	176 677	n.y.a.	7 377	562 707	13 740	107 032

<sup>(</sup>a) Foreign export data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3).
(b) Excluding non-merchandise trade; including re-exports. (c) These are selected major items only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. From April 1992, exports are compiled on the basis of goods shipped in any calendar month rather than the documentation of goods shipped in that or earlier months. Data have been revised back to July 1991 on the new compilation basis. (d) All meats and meat products, fresh, frozen or canned. (e) Raw or refined. (f) Greasy or scoured.

### VALUE OF FOREIGN IMPORTS (a), QUEENSLAND (\$'000)

			Sele	cted commodity	groups (c)		
		Live animals,	Mineral fuels,		Machinery and equipm		Other
Period	Total (b)	beverages and tobacco	lubricants, etc.	Chemicals	Road motor vehicles	Other	manufactured goods (d)
1992–93	6 334 175	225 394	699 920	387 065	1 144 443	1 395 816	1 258 354
1993–94	6 869 158	262 200	781 510	414 511	1 285 946	1 543 129	1 433 298
1994–95	7 771 035	336 535	809 042	476 033	1 647 337	1 891 645	1 610 273
1995–96	8 052 202	311 775	1 107 635	586 291	1 499 924	1 924 300	1 682 702
1996-97	8 636 792	321 815	1 223 676	698 279	1 629 122	2 255 045	1 731 143
1997–98	9 759 576	393 123	1 162 980	801 913	2 255 098	2 346 598	2 116 520
1997—							
August	820 049	38 442	86 088	61 028	174 928	216 426	179 646
September	769 071	30 342	87 229	65 732	169 658	191 993	172 377
October	873 969	38 490	124 483	74 896	194 170	198 179	189 528
November	735 745	30 696	85 367	64 627	157 035	170 479	178 422
December	834 678	35 932	66 757	76 589	189 674	225 632	177 336
1998—							
January	818 926	35 088	149 857	52 940	177 174	173 924	177 389
February	761 000	30 006	101 269	69 048	177 944	174 141	165 364
March	854 035	35 027	110 987	77 212	208 795	183 600	176 621
April	756 944	28 626	51 839	75 124	212 110	170 842	167 441
May	859 644	30 867	91 978	48 449	180 636	255 709	177 364
June	887 033	31 290	78 616	70 893	235 991	231 041	176 009
July	982 833	33 853	86 947	77 489	217 545	269 386	229 348
August	834 683	30 280	71 880	69 002	178 359	211 733	201 680
September	995 156	37 170	98 934	73 564	189 676	326 239	209 532
October	995 758	33 859	79 478	92 119	217 386	284 968	205 971

<sup>(</sup>a) Imports relate to the State in which the import entry was lodged with the Australian Customs Service. Foreign import data are compiled on the Harmonised Commodity Description Coding System (HCDCS), not the Standard International Trade Classification (Revision 3). (b) Excluding non-merchandise trade. (c) These are selected major groups only and therefore do not add to the totals shown. Imports are recorded statistically in the calendar month in which the import entries are both finalised by the Australian Customs Service and passed to the ABS for further processing. (d) Manufactured goods not included in the other selected commodity groups listed in this table.

### RETAIL TRADE (a): TURNOVER BY INDUSTRY, QUEENSLAND (\$ million)

			1997			1998			
Industry	1997–98	June	July	August	September	June	July	August	September
Food retailing	9 945.6	751.1	801.6	794.3	773.4	820.1	870.5	856.0	872.1
Department stores	1 970.1	136.5	158.2	142.8	163.3	143.2	167.3	151.1	165.6
Clothing and soft goods retailing Household goods	1 801.4	125.0	132.2	130.0	147.7	160.4	164.0	154.5	167.0
retailing Recreational goods	2 216.2	174.9	180.1	172.0	173.4	181.4	194.0	199.2	196.6
retailing	1 489.0	107.9	117.7	124.3	125.7	124.2	123.9	129.6	140.3
Other retailing Hospitality and	2 714.5	211.3	233.2	227.0	221.1	220.2	227.5	219.9	221.0
services	4 810.1	362.9	392.3	393.6	375.7	399.7	426.2	439.5	409.3
Total	24 946.9	1 869.6	2 015.3	1 983.9	1 980.3	2 049.2	2 173.6	2 149.9	2 172.0

<sup>(</sup>a) Excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.

#### TRANSPORT SERVICES: OUEENSLAND RAILWAYS AND BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

	Queensland Railways (a)								Brisbane
Period	Traffic (b)	Passenger journeys sold (c)	Paying	Paying freight		Passenger earnings		Total	City Council bus
	train- kilometres		Tonnes carried	Tonne-kms	Suburban	Country	Total earnings	operating expenses	passenger earnings (d)
	'000	'000	'000	'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1992–93	28 925	40 392	90 303	24 613 660	48 703	36 037	1 360 464	1 346 544	42 558
1993–94	29 187	39 340	92 092	25 174 858	52 522	42 175	1 359 128	1 362 059	44 218
1994–95	30 273	37 921	96 808	26 497 560	53 695	40 027	1 473 567	1 517 777	49 078
1995–96	30 935	39 809	96 236	26 446 776	54 830	44 116	1 803 728	1 481 009	50 810
1996–97	33 931	42 320	104 926	28 726 992	63 644	44 823	1 903 603	1 605 990	53 623
1997–98	n.y.a.	40 080	110 391	30 196 092	68 491	45 243	1 899 158	n.y.a.	54 086
1997—									
July	n.a.	3 485	8 462	2 181 554	5 957	4 500	153 172	n.a.	5 582
August	n.a.	3 533	9 062	2 659 630	6 741	4 644	155 518	n.a.	4 370
September	n.a.	3 545	9 398	2 579 356	5 186	4 398	154 017	n.a.	3 948
October	n.a.	3 677	10 131	2 743 373	6 088	4 516	166 501	n.a.	4 826
November	n.a.	3 188	9 850	2 683 900	5 224	3 714	158 233	n.a.	3 914
December	n.a.	2 864	8 361	2 258 678	5 441	3 595	142 273	n.a.	3 628
1998—									
January	n.a.	2 615	9 198	2 427 203	4 996	3 841	152 622	n.a.	4 048
February	n.a.	3 313	8 093	2 190 753	5 487	2 233	149 409	n.a.	6 304
March	n.a.	3 736	9 991	2 714 626	6 224	2 711	166 183	n.a.	4 868
April	n.a.	3 310	9 120	2 508 270	5 623	3 581	145 066	n.a.	4 153
May	n.a.	3 424	9 269	2 474 809	5 626	3 442	154 157	n.a.	4 098
June	n.a.	3 390	9 455	2 773 941	5 898	4 068	202 007	n.a.	4 348
July	n.a.	3 639	9 628	2 572 974	6 016	4 962	151 385	n.a.	5 101
August	n.a.	3 817	10 083	2 619 730	6 921	4 346	156 645	n.a.	4 049
September	n.a.	3 986	9 812	2 598 231	5 436	4 567	149 879	n.a.	3 968
October	n.a.	3 727	9 981	2 648 876	6 045	4 568	159 927	n.a.	5 014

<sup>(</sup>a) Source: Queensland Rail. From July 1992, Queensland Rail introduced an accrual accounting system (previously cash based). (b) Comprising goods and passenger. (c) Based on ticket sales. All season ticket journeys counted in month of sale. (d) Source: Brisbane City Council.

#### REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER, QUEENSLAND

New motor vehicles registered Seasonally Original series (a) adjusted series Light Trucks Total Pass-Passmotor comm-Artic-Non-freightercial Motor enger vehicles enger Period vehicles vehicles Rigid ulated carrying Buses cycles vehicles (b) 1992-93 81 656 18 916 524 899 3 865 2 3 1 6 91 1993-94 86 045 20 489 2 488 739 144 778 3 522 .. 92 586 21 605 2 743 1994-95 1 047 190 1 019 3 954 1995-96 98 610 21 292 2 200 594 122 993 4 297 .. .. 1996-97 100 546 21 416 2 143 715 206 938 4 323 ... 23 793 1997-98 118 316 2 494 829 480 817 4 779 1997— 10 022 1 902 247 73 30 71 318 9 256 11 372 July 8 809 1 546 8 914 11 039 August 206 59 61 68 356 1 783 76 356 9 684 11 991 September 9 532 174 80 67 197 9 497 11 775 October 9 726 1 809 94 91 81 456 November 9 150 1 728 186 75 64 62 368 9 697 11 873 December 10 787 1 989 188 70 33 86 403 9 852 12 333 1998-1 551 8 9 901 12 002 January 8 106 134 37 48 400 February 8 926 1 911 206 60 16 57 382 9 655 12 190 10 204 2 073 9 996 12 342 March 219 68 25 57 444 1 970 227 53 24 57 412 10 171 12 740 9 429 April 9 0 1 0 2 093 216 72 15 83 350 11 064 May 8 864 June 14 615 3 438 294 92 33 80 534 12 448 15 413 July 11 378 1 973 248 100 26 75 455 10 838 13 096 9 961 9 832 12 139 August 1 684 226 69 21 57 419 September 1 999 9 915 10 003 278 75 21 58 472 12 496

#### **ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS (a), QUEENSLAND**

		Persons killed (b)		Pers	sons injured (c)	
Period	Brisbane Statistical Division	Rest of State	Total	Brisbane Statistical Division	Rest of State	Total
1992	125	291	416	3 747	5 730	9 477
1993	111	285	396	3 998	5 930	9 928
1994	129	293	422	4 450	6 355	10 805
1995	113	343	456	4 744	6 584	11 328
1996	93	292	385	4 419	6 892	11 311
1997	79	281	360	4 124	6 497	10 621
1997—						
August	6	34	40	364	619	983
September	4	30	34	323	522	845
October	3	24	27	335	517	852
November	5	14	19	338	615	953
December	8	28	36	335	570	905
1998—						
January	4	16	20	280	450	730
February	6	11	17	319	470	789
March	3	18	21	376	477	853
April	2	17	19	324	507	831
May	6	8	14	370	555	925
June	11	14	25	340	561	901
July	6	27	33	358	531	889
August	2	23	25	365	538	903
September	8	16	24	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
October	6	14	20	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

<sup>(</sup>a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport. (b) Killed instantly or died within 30 days of receiving injuries. (c) Injured to an extent requiring medical treatment.

<sup>(</sup>a) Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Commonwealth Department of Administrative Services. (b) Excluding motor cycles, plant, equipment and trailers.

#### OIL INDUSTRY: SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, QUEENSLAND (a)

(Source: Department of Primary Industries and Energy)
(million litres)

		Automotive	Aviation	Lighting and power	Liquid	Auto- motive	Industri marine die		Fuel (	oil
Period	Aviation gasoline	gasoline (b)	turbine fuel	kerosene (c)	petroleum gas	diesel – oil (d)	Inland	Bunkers	Inland (e)	Bunkers
1992–93	24.0	3 278.0	813.0	27.1	306.2	2 562.2	_	2.6	70.8	73.2
1993–94	24.6	3 430.5	900.6	16.5	414.5	2 704.5	0.5	1.5	92.5	78.3
1994–95	26.4	3 515.1	1 054.0	13.4	439.9	2 856.1	1.4	0.5	111.8	205.9
1995–96	27.3	3 606.0	1 072.6	8.5	407.5	3 012.0	9.0	1.0	91.5	119.4
1996-97	26.8	3 633.7	1 102.8	18.4	366.0	3 164.6	25.9	9.8	59.3	123.4
1997–98	17.7	3 564.9	1 049.1	18.6	393.2	3 303.2	8.6	8.8	44.3	115.5
1997—										
June	2.3	291.2	84.6	2.4	33.3	279.4	1.6	0.5	4.1	5.2
July	2.6	305.3	95.1	2.5	33.3	293.5	0.8	0.5	5.1	8.6
August	2.5	298.0	88.9	1.9	37.2	287.9	1.5	0.5	2.9	12.6
September	2.6	306.8	94.9	1.1	33.0	284.3	1.2	0.5	4.0	5.7
October	2.6	326.1	87.4	1.1	32.3	332.2	1.1	0.4	4.4	3.7
November	2.2	283.8	91.4	1.1	25.5	264.3	_	0.3	3.9	5.2
December	2.0	318.7	92.7	1.4	26.3	267.4	_	0.2	5.6	5.6
1998—										
January	1.8	286.9	86.0	1.3	29.3	227.9	_	0.1	3.0	6.9
February	1.9	272.5	76.4	2.2	30.1	251.2	_	_	1.7	5.9
March	2.5	298.8	82.7	1.1	33.1	286.9	0.7	5.8	2.0	44.0
April	2.4	290.8	78.7	1.4	38.7	262.3	1.4	0.1	2.4	4.0
May	2.1	286.1	84.7	1.4	39.2	257.0	1.6	0.1	3.5	4.6
June	2.5	291.1	90.2	2.1	35.2	288.3	0.3	0.3	5.8	8.7
July	2.7	300.6	87.1	2.7	35.6	289.2	_	0.1	5.4	3.3
August	2.4	297.8	88.0	2.1	20.6	280.2	_	0.2	3.1	5.4

<sup>(</sup>a) The State marketing area also includes the Murwillumbah district of New South Wales. (b) Including leaded and unleaded petrol. (c) Including heating oil (1,610,000 litres in August 1998). (d) Including a small quantity of bunker sales. (e) Excluding refinery fuel.

#### LICENSED HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND SERVICED APARTMENTS (a), QUEENSLAND

Period	Estab- lishments	Guest rooms	Bed spaces	Room nights occupied	Room occupancy rate	Guest nights	Bed occupancy rate	Guest arrivals	Takings from accom- modation
	No.	No.	No.	'000	%	'000	%	'000	\$'000
1997				10 034.9	60.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1 012 127
1997—									
April	]			763.7	57.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	78 511
May	857	45 090	142 795	747.4	54.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	71 930
June	J			783.9	58.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	74 987
July	]			926.9	65.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	89 102
August	874	46 119	146 507	935.4	65.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	93 171
September	J			909.1	65.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	91 025
October	]			958.7	66.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	97 878
November	} 887	47 302	150 890	869.8	61.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	89 117
December	J			799.6	54.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	85 958
1998—									
January	J			837.1	57.3	1 783.8	38.5	623.7	91 147
February	} 887	47 314	150 153	697.8	53.0	1 255.3	30.0	508.5	68 531
March	j			767.2	52.5	1 370.5	29.6	560.8	74 884
April	j			792.5	55.2	1 553.5	34.0	610.4	78 238
May	906	48 547	154 004	767.5	51.5	1 387.2	29.3	575.8	71 202
June	J			812.2	55.8	1 545.6	33.5	620.6	72 848

<sup>(</sup>a) Comprising establishments with 15 or more rooms or units, according to revised scope criteria from March quarter 1998 and retabulated data for comparison purposes for 1997. See *Tourist Accommodation, Australia* (8635.0).

**METEOROLOGY, BRISBANE** (Source: Bureau of Meteorology)

		Rainfall		Shade temperature				
Period	Total	Wet days (a)	Average (b)	Absolute maximum	Absolute minimum	Mean maximum	Mean minimum	
	mm	No.	mm	deg. C	deg. C	deg. C	deg. C	
1992	1 274	110	]	34.8	3.4	25.1	15.3	
1993	726	117	•	36.3	4.2	25.3	15.8	
1994	838	113	1 175	37.5	0.6	25.2	14.7	
1995	1 128	116	11/3	37.6	1.3	25.2	15.4	
1996	1 478	111		34.5	1.8	25.3	15.2	
1997	845	101	J	33.2	1.2	25.2	15.4	
1997—								
August	1	3	41	25.2	1.2	21.7	8.5	
September	39	8	33	29.9	6.6	24.3	12.7	
October	120	6	93	28.9	10.8	24.8	14.7	
November	123	11	97	31.4	14.2	27.2	18.5	
December	107	9	126	33.2	18.0	29.5	21.3	
1998—								
January	72	14	158	34.4	18.4	29.8	21.6	
February	78	12	171	33.8	18.2	30.4	21.7	
March	53	6	138	32.3	16.0	29.8	19.5	
April	173	14	89	30.1	10.2	26.0	17.4	
May	157	10	98	26.9	6.9	23.9	13.7	
June	12	7	70	24.9	3.9	21.5	10.7	
July	30	9	62	25.8	4.3	20.8	10.8	
August	123	10	41	24.4	6.0	21.7	12.3	
September	104	12	33	26.6	9.7	23.5	14.5	
October	31	6	93	33.1	8.9	26.1	15.5	

<sup>(</sup>a) Days on which 0.1 millimetres or more of rain fell. (b) Average of all years of record.

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